

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2008

**WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Auditing Procedures Report

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Unit Name	LODI TOWNSHIP	County	WASHTENAW	Type	TOWNSHIP	MuniCode	
Opinion Date-Use Calendar	JUNE 20, 2008	Audit Submitted-Use Calendar	JUNE 30, 2008	Fiscal Year-Use Drop List	MARCH 31, 2008		

If a local unit of government (authorities & commissions included) is operating within the boundaries of the audited entity and is NOT included in this or any other audit report, nor do they obtain a stand-alone audit, enclose the name(s), address(es), and a description(s) of the authority and/or commission.

Place a check next to each "Yes" or non-applicable question below. Questions left unmarked should be those you wish to answer "No".

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1. Are all required component units/funds/agencies of the local unit included in the financial statements and/or disclosed in the reporting entity notes to the financial statements?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Does the local unit have a positive fund balance in all of its unreserved fund balances/unrestricted net assets?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3. Were the local unit's actual expenditures within the amounts authorized in the budget?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4. Is this unit in compliance with the Uniform Chart of Accounts issued by the Department of Treasury?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. Did the local unit adopt a budget for all required funds?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6. Was a public hearing on the budget held in accordance with State statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7. Is the local unit in compliance with the Revised Municipal Finance Act, an order issued under the Emergency Municipal Loan Act, and other guidance as issued by the Local Audit and Finance Division?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8. Has the local unit distributed tax revenues, that were collected for another taxing unit, timely as required by the general property tax act?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9. Do all deposits/investments comply with statutory requirements including the adoption of an investment policy?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10. Is the local unit free of illegal or unauthorized expenditures that came to your attention as defined in the Bulletin for Audits of Local Units of Government in Michigan, as revised (see Appendix H of Bulletin.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 11. Is the unit free of any indications of fraud or illegal acts that came to your attention during the course of audit that have not been previously communicated to the Local Audit and Finance Division? (If there is such activity, please submit a separate report under separate cover.)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 12. Is the local unit free of repeated reported deficiencies from previous years?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13. Is the audit opinion unqualified? 14. If not, what type of opinion is it? <input type="text" value="NA"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 15. Has the local unit complied with GASB 34 and other generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP)?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 16. Has the board or council approved all disbursements prior to payment as required by charter or statute?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 17. To your knowledge, were the bank reconciliations that were reviewed performed timely?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18. Are there reported deficiencies? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19. If so, was it attached to the audit report?

General Fund Revenue:	\$1,246,198
General Fund Expenditure:	\$1,018,952
Major Fund Deficit Amount:	\$0.00

General Fund Balance:	\$2,481,391
Governmental Activities Long-Term Debt (see instructions):	-0-

We affirm that we are certified public accountants (CPA) licensed to practice in Michigan. We further affirm the above responses have been disclosed in the financial statements, including the notes, or in the Management Letter (Reported deviations).

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**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT
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**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
For the Year Ended March 31, 2008**

As management of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, we offer readers of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2008. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here.

Financial Highlights

- The assets of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year \$3,147,492 (*net assets*). Of this amount, \$2,410,164 (*unrestricted net assets*) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.
- The government's total net assets increased \$239,785. This increase is attributable to investment income of \$135,259.
- As of the close of the current year, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$2,481,391, an increase of \$227,246 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current year, unreserved fund balance for the General Fund was \$2,410,164 or 236 percent of total General Fund expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's basic financial statements. Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's basic financial statements comprise three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the government's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., uncollected taxes).

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 3 – 4 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan can be divided into two categories: governmental and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. *Governmental funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on *near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources*, as well as on *balances of spendable resources* available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan adopts an annual appropriated budget for all funds. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the major governmental fund to demonstrate compliance with budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 5 – 6 of this report.

The basic fund financial statements with budget can be found on pages 7 – 8 of this report.

Fiduciary Fund. The Fiduciary Fund is used to account for resources held under tax collection activity. The Fiduciary fund is *not* reflected in the government-wide financial statement. The accounting used for the Fiduciary Fund is much like that used for Proprietary Funds.

The basic fiduciary fund financial statements can be found on pages 9 – 10 of this report.

Notes to the financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 11 – 20 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net assets may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. In the case of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, assets exceeded liabilities by \$3,147,492 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

A portion of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's net assets (7 percent) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. Also, 14 percent of net assets represent the Township's investment in the Saline Area Fire Department. Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan uses these capital assets to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending. Although Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's Net Assets

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 2,493,560	\$ 2,315,114
Capital assets	220,101	199,349
Investment in joint venture	<u>446,000</u>	<u>454,213</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,159,661</u>	<u>\$ 2,968,676</u>
Other liabilities	\$ 12,169	\$ 60,969
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 12,169</u>	<u>\$ 60,969</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets and joint venture	666,101	653,562
Restricted for cemetery	71,227	79,084
Unrestricted	<u>2,410,164</u>	<u>2,175,061</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 3,147,492</u>	<u>\$ 2,907,707</u>

The remaining balance of *unrestricted net assets* (\$2,410,164) may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan is able to report a positive balance in net assets for the government as a whole. The same situation held true for the prior fiscal year.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental funds. The focus of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's financing requirements. In particular, *unreserved fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of this fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$2,481,391, an increase of \$227,246 in comparison with the prior year.

The General Fund is the chief operating fund of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. At the end of the current fiscal year, unreserved fund balance of the General Fund was \$2,410,164.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Differences between the original budget and the final amended budget were relatively minor. When adopting the original budget the board expected and planned to transfer from the fund balance to cover road repairs and other expenses. \$10,000 was transferred in to cover expected expenses not met by anticipated revenue.

Money was paid from the cemetery fund to cover the final repair costs for the cemetery fence.

On going increases in the cost of contracting with the County for police protection also contributed to the need of use of some fund balance dollars.

Substantial increases in planning and legal costs can be attributed to state mandated changes in the zoning ordinance and legal defense of said ordinances in several court litigations.

Funds needed were transferred from line items where they were not needed as originally budgeted.

Capital Assets

Capital assets. Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of March 31, 2008, amounts to \$220,101 net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, furniture and equipment and land improvements. The total increase in Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's investment in capital assets for the current fiscal year was \$33,040.

Major capital purchases during the current fiscal year were cemetery fencing and copier.

Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's Capital Assets

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Land	\$ 35,090	\$ 35,090
Land improvements	21,673	
Buildings	130,409	135,516
Furniture and equipment	<u>32,929</u>	<u>28,743</u>
Total	<u>\$ 220,101</u>	<u>\$ 199,349</u>

Additional information on Lodi Township's capital assets can be found in Note 5 on pages 19 and 20.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budgets and Rates

When Lodi Township board looks at a new budget, the state shared revenue and Township millages are considered. Lodi Township is a general law township with a decreasing 1 mill tax. Again for 2008-2009 Lodi Township anticipates transferring money from the fund balance to cover the cost of road projects. Due to required updating and amending of the Master Plan, anticipated legal defense of the zoning ordinance, and new state mandated changes in the Planning Act, we assume additional fund balance transfers will be needed for planning, engineering and legal line items.

Because the sheriff patrol is in question as to cost for the future, the township may be asking for a millage for police services. At the time of this writing, it has not been decided upon.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Lodi Township, 3755 Pleasant Lake Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48103.

June 20, 2008

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Lodi Township
Washtenaw County, Michigan

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2008, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, as of March 31, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

June 20, 2008

Lodi Township
Washtenaw County, Michigan

The management's discussion and analysis on pages i through v is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan's basic financial statements. The schedule of changes in assets and liabilities has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Robertson, Eaton & Owen, P.C.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS

March 31, 2008 and 2007

	<u>Primary Government</u>	
	<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 318,382	\$ 39,387
Cash – cemetery	17,190	27,560
Investments	2,048,018	2,149,799
Investments – cemetery	54,037	51,524
Taxes receivable	22,896	17,689
Accounts receivable	3,720	2,160
Due from Tax Collection	23,226	7,672
Accrued interest receivable	6,091	6,703
Prepaid expenses	<u> </u>	<u>12,620</u>
Total current assets	<u>2,493,560</u>	<u>2,315,114</u>
Investment in joint venture – Saline Area Fire Department	<u>446,000</u>	<u>454,213</u>
Capital assets:		
Land	35,090	35,090
Buildings and improvements	229,419	229,419
Furniture and equipment	94,697	88,529
Land improvements	22,040	
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(161,145)</u>	<u>(153,689)</u>
Total capital assets	<u>220,101</u>	<u>199,349</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 3,159,661</u>	<u>\$ 2,968,676</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u>		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	1,274	58,969
Other current liabilities		2,000
Unearned revenue	<u>10,895</u>	<u> </u>
Total liabilities	<u>12,169</u>	<u>60,969</u>
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets and joint venture	666,101	653,562
Restricted for cemetery	71,227	79,084
Unrestricted	<u>2,410,164</u>	<u>2,175,061</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 3,147,492</u>	<u>\$ 2,907,707</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

**For the Year Ended March 31, 2008
With Comparative Totals for the Year Ended March 31, 2007**

FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Total Governmental Activities</u>	
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets 2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Primary Government:					
Governmental activities:					
General government	\$ 335,732	\$ 35,540	\$	\$ (300,192)	\$ (331,483)
Public safety	544,780	263,419		(281,361)	(331,898)
Highways and streets	101,582			(101,582)	(76,039)
Sanitation	<u>24,319</u>			<u>(24,319)</u>	<u>(24,706)</u>
Total governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,006,413</u>	<u>\$ 298,959</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (707,454)</u>	<u>\$ (764,126)</u>
General Revenues:					
Property taxes				364,652	346,438
Franchise taxes				34,723	32,294
State revenues				397,721	394,504
Investment earnings				135,259	125,252
Other				<u>14,884</u>	<u>15,233</u>
Total general revenues				<u>947,239</u>	<u>913,721</u>
Change in net assets				239,785	149,595
Net assets – beginning of year				<u>2,907,707</u>	<u>2,758,112</u>
Net assets – end of year				<u>\$ 3,147,492</u>	<u>\$ 2,907,707</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**BALANCE SHEETS
GOVERNMENTAL FUND**

March 31, 2008 and 2007

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>	
<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash	\$ 318,382	\$ 39,387
Cash – cemetery	17,190	27,560
Investments	2,048,018	2,149,799
Investments – cemetery	54,037	51,524
Taxes receivable	22,896	17,689
Accounts receivable	3,720	2,160
Accrued interest receivable	6,091	6,703
Due from collection fund	23,226	7,672
Prepaid expenses		12,620
Total assets	<u>\$ 2,493,560</u>	<u>\$ 2,315,114</u>
 <u>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE</u>		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	\$ 1,274	\$ 58,969
Escrow accounts	10,895	
Trailer deposits		2,000
Total liabilities	<u>12,169</u>	<u>60,969</u>
Fund Balance:		
Reserved for cemetery	71,227	79,084
Unreserved, reported in:		
General Fund	<u>2,410,164</u>	<u>2,175,061</u>
Total fund balance	<u>2,481,391</u>	<u>2,254,145</u>
Total liabilities and fund balance	<u>\$ 2,493,560</u>	<u>\$ 2,315,114</u>
 Total governmental fund balance	 \$ 2,481,391	 \$ 2,254,145
 Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:		
Capital assets used in the governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the fund:		
The cost of the capital asset is	381,246	353,038
The accumulated depreciation is	(161,145)	(153,689)
Investment in joint venture is not a current financial asset and is not reported in the fund.	<u>446,000</u>	<u>454,213</u>
Net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$ 3,147,492</u>	<u>\$ 2,907,707</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
GOVERNMENTAL FUND**

For the Years Ended March 31, 2008 and 2007

	<u>Governmental Fund Type</u>	
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Revenues:		
Property taxes	\$ 364,652	\$ 346,438
Franchise taxes	34,723	32,294
Licenses and permits	19,295	17,811
Intergovernmental	397,721	394,504
Charges for services	21,455	20,100
Sale of cemetery lots	6,750	6,500
Special assessments	264,486	215,969
Interest earnings	135,259	125,252
Miscellaneous	<u>1,857</u>	<u>1,817</u>
Total revenues	<u>1,246,198</u>	<u>1,160,685</u>
Expenditures:		
Current:		
General government	323,444	352,748
Public safety	536,567	550,076
Highways and streets	101,582	76,039
Sanitation	24,319	24,706
Capital outlay	<u>33,040</u>	<u>13,464</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,018,952</u>	<u>1,017,033</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	227,246	143,652
Fund balance – beginning of year	<u>2,254,145</u>	<u>2,110,493</u>
Fund balance – end of year	<u>\$ 2,481,391</u>	<u>\$ 2,254,145</u>
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Net change in fund balance – total governmental fund	227,246	143,652
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation.		
Depreciation expense	(12,288)	(10,006)
Capital outlay	33,040	11,507
The change in investment in joint venture is not shown in the governmental fund.	<u>(8,213)</u>	<u>4,442</u>
Change in net assets of governmental activities.	<u>\$ 239,785</u>	<u>\$ 149,595</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

GENERAL FUND

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual Amounts	Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues:				
Property taxes	\$ 325,000	\$ 325,000	\$ 364,652	\$ 39,652
Franchise taxes		20,000	34,723	14,723
Licenses and permits:				
Liquor license	1,500	1,500	1,657	157
District court fees	6,000	6,000	5,049	(951)
Variance fees	1,000	1,000	3,500	2,500
Site plan review	4,000	4,000	2,000	(2,000)
Special use permits	3,000	3,000	1,100	(1,900)
Zoning permits	1,000	1,000	1,000	
Site plan inspection	4,000	4,000	4,950	950
Dog license fees	50	50	39	(11)
Land split application fees	750	750		(750)
Total licenses and permits	21,300	21,300	19,295	(2,005)
Intergovernmental	406,330	406,330	397,721	(8,609)
Charges for services:				
House numbering	200	200	100	(100)
Trailer fees - Township's share	1,500	1,500	1,633	133
Collection fees	14,500	14,500	14,503	3
Private road inspection fees	50	50	8	(42)
Sheriff - false alarm fees	2,000	2,000	1,815	(185)
Fire protection revenues	2,000	2,000	3,396	1,396
Total charges for services	20,250	20,250	21,455	1,205
Sale of cemetery lots	-	-	6,750	6,750
Special assessments:				
General special assessment	4,050	4,050	6,277	2,227
Fire special assessment	237,000	237,000	258,209	21,209
Total special assessments	241,050	241,050	264,486	23,436
Interest earnings	60,000	74,427	135,259	60,832
Miscellaneous	2,800	2,800	1,857	(943)
Total revenues	1,076,730	1,111,157	1,246,198	135,041

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

GENERAL FUND

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE –
BUDGET AND ACTUAL**

For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	Budgeted Amounts			Variance with Final Budget - Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual Amounts</u>	
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General Government:				
Trustees	7,600	7,600	5,894	1,706
Supervisor	31,400	32,300	32,300	
Clerk/Deputy Clerk	38,700	38,700	37,081	1,619
Treasurer/Deputy Treasurer	30,700	30,700	29,172	1,528
Computer software and support	5,000	5,000	4,230	770
Township Hall	33,200	29,952	25,923	4,029
Elections	8,500	5,300	3,611	1,689
Boards of Review, Appeals, and Planning Commission	78,500	98,250	92,303	5,947
Site plan/zoning inspections	4,200	4,200	3,445	755
Legal/professional fees	54,500	48,659	31,695	16,964
Postage, printing, and supplies	11,500	13,200	12,697	503
Public notices	3,000	3,000	763	2,237
Insurance	21,000	21,000	19,136	1,864
State/Local Dues	7,500	7,500	5,725	1,775
Payroll taxes	8,950	8,989	8,988	1
Miscellaneous	400	400	(256)	656
Cemetery care	6,400	6,400	10,610	(4,210)
Education	<u>1,000</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>127</u>	<u>473</u>
Total General Government	<u>352,050</u>	<u>361,750</u>	<u>323,444</u>	<u>38,306</u>
Public Safety:				
Police protection	330,000	330,000	318,625	11,375
Fire protection	279,300	279,300	214,257	65,043
Street lights	<u>4,050</u>	<u>4,050</u>	<u>3,685</u>	<u>365</u>
Total Public Safety	<u>613,350</u>	<u>613,350</u>	<u>536,567</u>	<u>76,783</u>
Highways and streets:				
Public works	<u>80,580</u>	<u>109,607</u>	<u>101,582</u>	<u>8,025</u>
Sanitation	<u>24,750</u>	<u>25,450</u>	<u>24,319</u>	<u>1,131</u>
Capital outlay	<u>6,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>33,040</u>	<u>(22,040)</u>
Total expenditures	<u>1,076,730</u>	<u>1,121,157</u>	<u>1,018,952</u>	<u>102,205</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over under expenditures		(10,000)	227,246	237,246
Fund balance -- beginning of year			<u>2,254,145</u>	
Fund balance -- end of year			<u>\$ 2,481,391</u>	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FIDUCIARY FUND
March 31, 2008 and 2007

		<u>Tax Collection</u>
		<u>Agency Fund</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,226	\$ 8,275
	<u>\$ 23,226</u>	<u>\$ 8,275</u>
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Due to General Fund	\$ 23,226	\$ 7,672
Due to other Taxing Units	<u> </u>	<u>603</u>
	<u>\$ 23,226</u>	<u>\$ 8,275</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

TAX COLLECTION FUND

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

For the Year Ended March 31, 2008

	<u>Balance</u> <u>April 1, 2007</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>March 31, 2008</u>
<u>ASSETS</u>				
Cash in bank	\$ 8,275	\$ 12,098,951	\$ 12,084,000	\$ 23,226
Total assets	\$ 8,275	\$ 12,098,951	\$ 12,084,000	\$ 23,226
 <u>LIABILITIES</u>				
Due to governmental units	\$ 8,275	\$ 12,098,951	\$ 12,084,000	\$ 23,226
Total liabilities	\$ 8,275	\$ 12,098,951	\$ 12,084,000	\$ 23,226

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2008

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan (Township) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units.

Effective April 1, 2004, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan implemented the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. Significant changes in the statement include the following:

- ♦ A Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Township's overall financial position and results of operations has been included with the financial statements.
- ♦ Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Township's activities.
- ♦ A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major fund.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements (including notes to financial statements). Lodi Township has elected to implement the general provisions of the statement.

A. Reporting Entity

The Township of Lodi is a noncharter township, governed by a Board of Trustees. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present Lodi Township as a primary government. There are no component units to the Township.

Lodi Township is contractually involved in a governmental joint venture with the Saline Area Fire Department. (See Note 6). The Saline Area Fire Department is a separate reporting entity. (The most current audit available is for the year ended June 30, 2007). Lodi Township only includes its share of investment and costs in these financial statements.

B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Township. The government-wide financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type. All of the Township's activities are classified as governmental activities. Amounts reported in the funds as receivable from or payable to fiduciary funds are included in the statement of net assets as receivable from or payable to external parties, rather than as internal balances. Therefore, all internal balances are eliminated in the total primary government column.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2008

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. The major individual governmental fund is reported as a separate column in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be *available* when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Amounts due from other governments and services provided associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The government reports the following major governmental fund:

The *General Fund* is the general operating fund of the Township. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Additionally, the government reports the following fiduciary fund types:

The *Tax Collection Fund* is used to account for assets held by the Township as an agent for other governments and/or other funds. The Agency Fund is custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and does not involve measurement of results of operations.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Township's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

D. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

E. Assets, liabilities, and net assets or equity.

1. Cash and investments

Cash includes amounts in cash on hand, demand deposits, except those deposits noted as investments (see below), as well as short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the government.

Investments include money market and certificates of deposit where the intent is to hold funds long-term, as well as investments with maturity dates over three months of the date acquired by the government.

State statutes authorize the government to invest in Obligations of the U.S. Treasury, Federal Agencies, commercial paper, corporate bonds, repurchase agreements, and State approved Investment Pools.

Investments are stated at cost or amortized cost. The Township will use amortized cost only when it reflects fair value of the investment. Currently, no investments are stated at amortized cost.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

2. Receivables and payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the noncurrent portion of interfund loans). Any residual balances outstanding in the governmental activities are reported in the government-wide financial statements as "internal balances".

Personal property taxes receivable is shown net of an allowance for uncollectibles. At March 31, 2008, there is no allowance for uncollectibles.

3. Property taxes

The Township property tax is levied on each December 1 on the taxable value of property located in the Township as of the preceding December 31.

The Township's 2007 ad valorem tax was levied and collectible on December 1, 2007. It is the Township's policy to recognize revenue from the current tax levy in the current year when the proceeds of this levy are made available for the financing of Township operations. Payment from the County Delinquent Tax Fund, which purchases the 2007 delinquent real property taxes, is recorded as a receivable and recognized as revenue in the current fiscal year.

The 2007 adjusted taxable value of Lodi Township totaled \$380,126,617, on which ad valorem taxes levied for Township purposes were \$364,718. The millage rate was .9595. A special assessment of \$350,411 was levied for fire protection, which is based on the 2007 adjusted taxable value of real property only, which totaled \$372,124,017. The special assessment millage rate was .7000.

4. Prepaid items

Certain payments to vendors or in escrow accounts reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

5. Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, building, and equipment are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2008

NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	50
Furniture and equipment	20
Office equipment	10
Land improvements	20

6. Fund equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

At March 31, 2008, there is a reservation of fund balance in the fund financial statements for cemetery activities of \$71,227.

A schedule of cemetery activity follows:

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Beginning reservation of fund balance	\$ 79,084	\$ 78,473
Add:		
Cemetery lot sales	6,750	6,500
Interest earnings	3,082	3,111
Less:		
Cemetery maintenance	(4,649)	
Fence restoration	<u>(13,040)</u>	<u>(9,000)</u>
Ending reservation of fund balance	<u>\$ 71,227</u>	<u>\$ 79,084</u>

NOTE 2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary information

The accounting basis used by the Township for budgeting is in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

The Township follows the budgetary procedures outlined by the State of Michigan including public hearings and proper adoption. All funds of the Township have a budget. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. The budgets are amended during the year as needed.

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 2. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)

B. Excess of expenditures over appropriations in budgetary funds

P.A. 621 of 1978, Section 18(1), as amended, of the State of Michigan provides that a local governmental unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated.

In the body of the financial statements, the Township's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on an activity basis. The approved budgets of the Township for these budgetary funds were adopted to the activity level.

Lodi Township did not incur expenditures in the General Fund in excess of amount appropriated. Two line items in the General Fund incurred expenditures which were in excess of the amounts budgeted, as follows:

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Amount of Expenditures</u>	<u>Budget Variance</u>
General Government:			
Cemetery care	\$ 6,400	\$ 10,610	\$ 4,210
Capital outlay	11,000	32,040	22,040

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

Deposits

At year end, the carrying value of the Township's deposits was \$358,798 and the bank balance was \$478,907. The total bank balance is classified in the following three categories of credit risk: (1) Insured or collateralized with securities held by the Township or by its agent in the Township's name. (2) Collateralized with securities held by a pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Township's name. (3) Uncollateralized. (This includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by a pledging financial institution or by its trust department or agent but not in the Township's name.)

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

	<u>CATEGORIES</u>			
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ 394,998	\$	\$	\$ 394,998
Tax Collection Fund	83,909			83,909

Due to higher cash flows during certain times of the year, especially when property taxes are being collected, deposits of the Township increase significantly. As a result, the amounts classified in category 3 at those times of year were substantially higher than at year end.

Bank balances shown in Category 1 are insured by Federal Depository Insurance.

All deposits are with banks located in Michigan as required by statutes.

Investments

The Township's investments are classified in the following three categories of credit risk: (1) Insured or registered, or securities held by the Township or its agent in the Township's name. (2) Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Township's name. (3) Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Township's name. The Township had investments with carrying value and bank balance of \$2,102,055 at year end.

	<u>CATEGORIES</u>			<u>Cost Value</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>		
Certificates of Deposit and Money Market Accounts	\$ <u>800,000</u>	\$ -	\$ <u>1,302,055</u>	\$ 2,102,055	\$ 2,102,055

Investments at March 31, 2008 consist of:

	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Amounts</u>
Certificates of Deposit:			
Ann Arbor Commerce Bank	4.91	7/4/08	122,625
Ann Arbor Commerce Bank	5.15	5/5/08	200,000
Fidelity Bank	3.45	9/13/08	100,015
Fidelity Bank	4.65	9/23/08	124,594
United Bank and Trust	4.171	10/24/08	124,169
United Bank and Trust	5.15	4/5/08	116,414
Fifth Third	2.42	8/27/08	106,355
Citizens Bank	2.50	8/13/08	221,218
Key Bank	4.65	7/4/08	54,037
Mercantile Bank	2.9909	3/20/09	115,000
Bank of Ann Arbor	3.0	9/3/08	210,738
Money Market Accounts:			
JP Morgan Chase			121,508
United Bank and Trust			<u>485,382</u>
			<u>\$ 2,102,055</u>

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 3. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Township limits its exposure to interest rate risk by limiting the term of investments (certificates of deposit) to one year or less, as noted above.

The Township limits credit risk by having investments in a number of banks. However, there is still a portion that is uninsured.

The custodial credit risk of investments is limited. However, the percentage of Township investments held in each separate bank ranges from 33% to 2%.

NOTE 4. RECEIVABLES

Receivables as of year end for the Township's major fund, including the applicable allowances for doubtful accounts, are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	
Receivables:	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Taxes	\$ 22,896	\$ 17,689
Accounts	3,720	2,160
Accrued interest	<u>6,091</u>	<u>6,703</u>
Gross receivables	32,707	26,552
Less: Allowance for Accounts	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net total Receivables	<u><u>\$ 32,707</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 26,552</u></u>

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2008**

NOTE 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2008 was as follows:

	<u>Balance April 1, 2007</u>	<u>Acquisitions</u>	<u>Dispositions</u>	<u>Balance March 31, 2008</u>
Governmental activities:				
Assets, not being depreciated -				
Land	\$ 35,090	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,090
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	229,419			229,419
Furniture and equipment	88,529	11,000	4,832	94,697
Land improvements	<u> </u>	<u>22,040</u>	<u> </u>	<u>22,040</u>
Depreciable capital assets	<u>317,948</u>	<u>33,040</u>	<u>4,832</u>	<u>346,156</u>
Less: Accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	93,903	5,107		99,010
Furniture and equipment	59,786	6,814	4,832	61,768
Land improvement	<u> </u>	<u>367</u>	<u> </u>	<u>367</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>153,689</u>	<u>12,288</u>	<u>4,832</u>	<u>161,145</u>
Net depreciable capital assets	<u>164,259</u>	<u>20,752</u>	<u> </u>	<u>185,011</u>
Governmental activities - net capital assets	<u>\$ 199,349</u>	<u>\$ 20,752</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 220,101</u>

Depreciation expense charged to functions is as follows:

Governmental activities:	
General government	<u>\$ 12,288</u>
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	<u>\$ 12,288</u>

**LODI TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

March 31, 2008

NOTE 6. CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENT – SALINE AREA FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Township is a participant with the City of Saline and the Townships of Saline and York in the operations of the Saline Area Fire Department (the SAFD), a volunteer fire department organized for the purpose of providing fire protection for the City and Townships. The SAFD is governed by an eight-member Board whose directors are selected and approved by the respective City and Township Boards. The Board annually approves an operating budget for the SAFD and is responsible for all operating and financing decisions of the SAFD.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Township pays a percentage of the cost of capital outlay and operating expenditures for the Fire Department. This percentage, which is currently 31.39%, is reviewed and adjusted as necessary on an annual basis based upon real and personal state equalized value, service area, population, miles of roads, and family dwelling units.

The ownership of all personal property and an equitable interest in all real estate acquired by the Fire Department is vested in the Township in direct proportion to the contribution made by the Township to the cost of the related real and personal property. If the agreement is terminated by the Township by notice of withdrawal, the capital interest of the Township will be returned to the Township in five equal annual installments commencing one year after the date of withdrawal, plus interest at the rate of 6% per annum on the unpaid balance.

Condensed financial information related to the SAFD as of June 30, 2007 and 2006, is as follows:

	Governmental Activities	
Statement of Net Assets:	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,640,482</u>	<u>\$ 1,838,170</u>
Total liabilities	\$ 218,741	\$ 422,736
Net assets	<u>1,421,741</u>	<u>1,415,434</u>
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 1,640,482</u>	<u>\$ 1,838,170</u>
Statement of Activities:		
Revenues	\$ 827,243	\$ 825,968
Expenses	<u>820,936</u>	<u>803,015</u>
Net change in net assets	6,307	22,953
Beginning net assets	<u>1,415,434</u>	<u>1,392,481</u>
Ending net assets	<u>\$ 1,421,741</u>	<u>\$ 1,415,434</u>

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June 20, 2008

To the Board of Trustees
Lodi Township
Washtenaw County, Michigan

We appreciate the opportunity to conduct your audit this year. We are writing to you as we complete the audit to communicate any control deficiencies we identified during the audit and whether these deficiencies (if any) are determined to be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Lodi Township, Michigan, for period ending March 31, 2008, we applied generally accepted auditing standards (GAAS) as we considered your internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures. We did this for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of your internal controls. Accordingly, as a part of your audit, we are not expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of your internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose of conducting your organization's audit and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. It is important to note that control deficiencies are not necessarily problems you will choose to address, however, they do represent potential risks. Our job as your auditors is to ensure that you understand where you have these deficiencies or weaknesses so that you can make informed business decisions on how best to respond to these risks.

Significant Deficiencies

A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects your entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of your financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by your internal control. During our audit we found one significant deficiency in internal control.

Materials Weaknesses

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by your internal control. During our audit we found no material weaknesses.

Finding considered a significant deficiency

Criteria:

Effective for the year ended March 31, 2008, Statement on Auditing Standards #112 titled *Communicating Internal Control Related Matters Identified in an Audit* (issued May 2006), requires us to communicate in writing when a client requires assistance to prepare the footnotes required in the annual audit report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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To the Board of Trustees
Lodi Township
Washtenaw County, Michigan

Condition

Currently, the Township staff prepares the interim financial reports and assists the external auditor in the preparation of the annual audit report.

Cause

The staff of the Township does understand all information included in the annual financial statements; however, assistance of the external auditor was utilized in preparing the footnotes to the financial statements.

Effect

Utilization of the external auditor in preparing the footnotes to the financial statements assists management with the external financial reporting responsibility, to ensure their financial statements are accurate.

Recommendation

At this time, we recommend no changes to this situation and communicate this as required by professional standards. The current process meets the definition of a significant deficiency as defined in Statement on Auditing Standards #112.

Client Response

We are aware of this deficiency and believe it is not cost beneficial in our situation to develop this expertise. We will continue to use our external auditors for this technical assistance. We would expect this situation to be ongoing in future years.

Robertson, Eaton & Owen P.C.
June 20, 2008